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On Kennedy Slaying Hit

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Dr. Cyril Wecht, claiming his views of President Kennedy's murder were distorted by the Rockefeller commission, wants the commission to release a transcript of his statements.

"If that transcript shows in any way I have withdrawn or revised my thoughts of the Warren report, I'll eat the transcript on the steps of the White House," said Wecht, a forensic pathologist and Allegheny county coroner.

The report on the Central Intelligence Agency sought to put to rest the theories surrounding the circumstances of Kennedy's death, including claims that more than one gunman was involved and that Kennedy was struck by bullets from two directions. The Rockefeller report said it found no such evidence.

Wecht denied the Rockefeller commission's statement that he "testified that the available evidence all points to the President being struck by two bullets coming from the rear" and that no



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DR. CYRIL WECHT
He said he was misquoted

support can be found for theories which postulate gunmen to the front of the presidential car."

Wecht said that was a "flagrant" misrepresentation of what he told commission attorney Robert Olsen.*

He said he still maintains that at least two gunmen were involved in the plot and that Lee Harvey Oswald alone could not have inflicted all the wounds sustained by Kennedy and former Texas Governor John Connally.

"Believe me, I hammered this point and made it perfectly clear," Wecht said.*

Associated Press

From same story, as carried in NYTimes
(filed CIA [d]):

* Olsen, in a five-hour interview on May 7.

Dr. Wecht said. "It is utterly reprehensible and despicable but also a great compliment that they would consider my testimony that much of a threat."

** He said he had first become suspicious of the Rockefeller commission's objectivity when David Belin was appointed executive director. Mr. Belin had been chief legal counsel for the Warren Commission.